

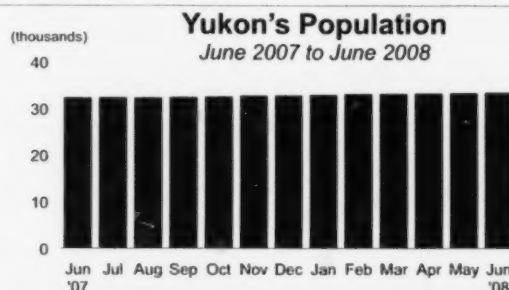
YUKON MONTHLY STATISTICAL REVIEW

September 2008

The most current statistics available on the state of the Yukon's economy.

1. Population

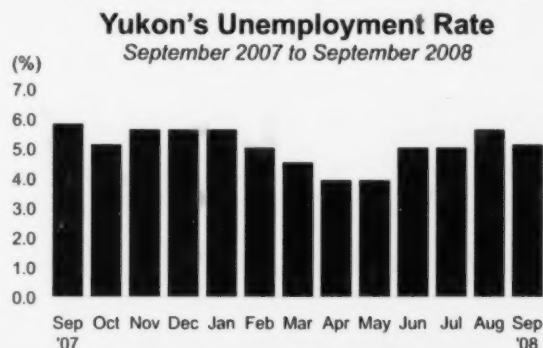
The Yukon's population as of June 2008 was **33,294**. One year previous to that, in June 2007, the population was **32,212**. The difference is an **increase of 1,082** individuals, or **3.4%**, in the Yukon's population. See page 3 for more detail.



2. Employment

The number of people employed in the Yukon as of September 2008 was **17,000** (seasonally adjusted). This is an increase of 100 from the August 2008 figure and an increase of 700 from the September 2007 figure.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Yukon as of September 2008 was **5.1%**. One year ago, in September 2007, the rate was **5.8%**. See page 4 for more detail.



3. Inflation

The annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse (figures are not available for the Yukon) was **4.4%** as of August 2008. The annual *average* inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was **2.5%**. See page 6 for more detail.

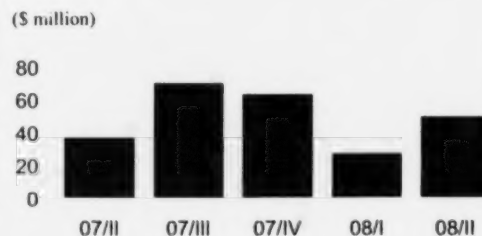
4. Rental Units

The median rent (half the rents are higher and half the rents are lower) in Whitehorse as of June 2008 was **\$700**. This is an increase of \$20 or 2.9% compared to June 2007. The vacancy rate for Whitehorse as of June 2008 was **1.9%**. This is 1.3 percentage points lower than in June 2007. See page 7 for more detail.

5. Real Estate

The total value of real estate transactions in the Yukon for the second quarter of 2008 (April, May and June) was \$48,643,000. This is an **increase of \$12,658,800, or 35.2%**, from the second quarter of 2007 (\$35,984,200). See page 7 for more detail.

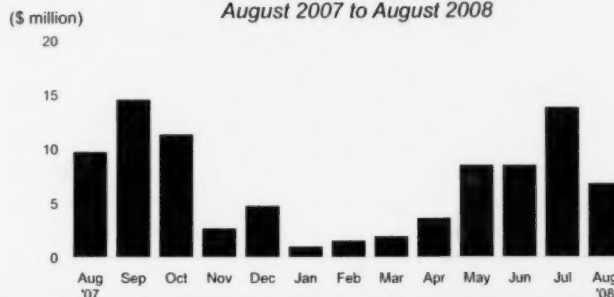
Yukon's Real Estate Transactions
Second Quarter 2007 to Second Quarter 2008



6. Construction

The value of building permits issued in the Yukon for August 2008 was **\$6,645,000**. One year ago, in August 2007, the value was **\$9,623,000**. This represents a decrease of \$2,978,000, or 31.0%.
See page 8 for more detail.

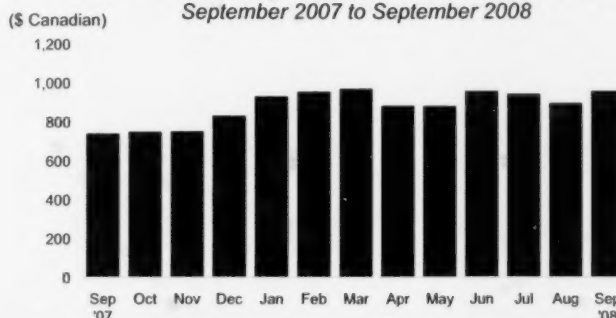
Yukon Building Permits
August 2007 to August 2008



7. Resources

The commodity price for a troy ounce of gold, in Canadian dollars, was **\$950.73** as of September 30th, 2008 on the London Exchange. One year ago, the commodity price was **\$735.02**. The difference is an **increase of \$215.71**, or **29.3%**, in the commodity price of a troy ounce of gold.
See page 9 for more detail.

The Commodity Price of an Ounce of Gold
September 2007 to September 2008

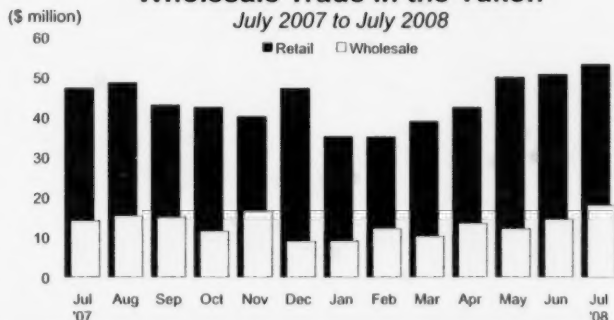


8. Retail & Wholesale Trade

The preliminary value of retail trade in the Yukon for July 2008 was **\$53,080,000**. This figure is an **increase of \$5,913,000**, or **12.5%**, from the value of retail trade one year earlier, in July 2007.

Comparing the preliminary value for July 2008 with the value for July 2007, wholesale sales have **increased by \$3,827,000**, or **27.2%**, from **\$14,076,000** to **\$17,903,000**.
See page 10 for more detail.

Monthly Retail and Wholesale Trade in the Yukon
July 2007 to July 2008

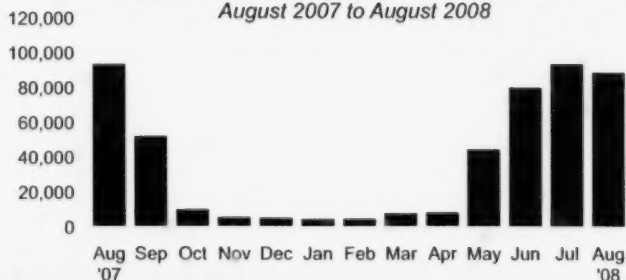


9. Travellers

The number of travellers entering the Yukon by land at Canada Customs points of entry in August 2008 was **87,830**. This is a **decrease of 7,805 travellers**, or **8.2%**, from the August 2007 figure of **95,635**.

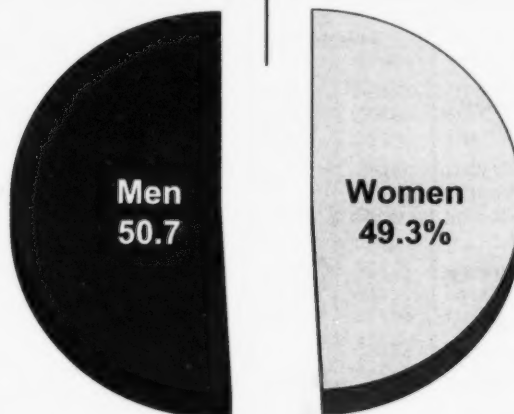
The number of travellers from January to August 2008 was **325,132**, compared with 345,442 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a **decrease of 20,310 people**, or **5.9%**.
See page 11 for more detail.

Travellers Entering the Yukon by Land Through Canada Customs Points of Entry
August 2007 to August 2008



1.1 Yukon population by age & sex

June 2008			
	Total	Male	Female
0-4	1,862	979	883
5-9	1,831	909	922
10-14	2,004	1,027	977
15-19	2,361	1,252	1,109
20-24	2,350	1,142	1,208
25-29	2,222	1,125	1,097
30-34	2,180	993	1,187
35-39	2,472	1,191	1,281
40-44	2,650	1,297	1,353
45-49	3,246	1,593	1,653
50-54	3,101	1,578	1,523
55-59	2,541	1,349	1,192
60-64	1,865	1,061	804
65-69	1,039	591	448
70-74	681	376	305
75+	889	428	461
Total	33,294	16,891	16,403



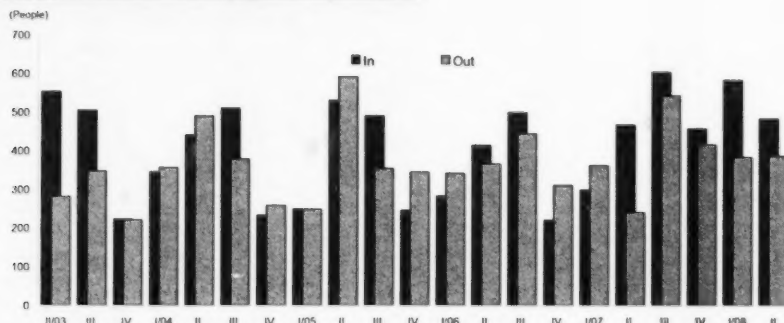
Source: Yukon Health & Social Services and Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

1.2 Yukon population by community

	June 2008	Dec 2007	June 2007
Beaver Creek	106	99	101
Burwash Landing	101	92	88
Carcross	431	423	437
Carmacks	453	444	426
Dawson City	1,889	1,879	1,876
Destruction Bay	49	55	56
Faro	385	372	382
Haines Junction	818	809	804
Marsh Lake	410	415	405
Mayo	460	423	388
Old Crow	248	256	271
Pelly Crossing	308	294	284
Ross River	383	349	355
Tagish	220	208	212
Teslin	449	426	428
Watson Lake	1,596	1,596	1,567
Whitehorse	24,890	24,473	24,041
Other*	98	101	91
Yukon	33,294	32,714	32,212

Source: Yukon Health and Social Services, Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

1.4 Yukon migration estimates*



Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

1. Population

- 1.1 The June 2008 population of the Yukon was 33,294. Of the 33,294 people residing in the Yukon, 49.3% were females and 50.7% were males. Persons under the age of 15 accounted for 17.1% of the population, while 7.8% of the population was aged 65 or over.

1.3 Yukon births & deaths

1.3 Yukon Births and Deaths

	Births	Deaths
2008	-9	2
July	-29.0%	18.2%
June	22	13
May	22	16
April	34	21
March	23	15
February	31	20
January	28	16
2007	24	9
December	24	10
November	34	13
October	26	14
September	29	16
August	33	20
July	31	11

- 1.2 In June of 2008, 74.8% of the Yukon's population lived in the City of Whitehorse. Between June 2007 and June 2008, the community with the largest percentage increase in population was Mayo, where the population increased by 72 people, or 18.6%. Fourteen Yukon communities showed increases in population from June 2007 to June 2008.

- 1.3 In July 2008, preliminary estimates show 9 fewer births (22) and 2 more deaths (13) compared to July 2007.

- 1.4 Migration statistics for the Yukon show that for the second quarter of 2008, the number of in-migrants was 482, compared to out-migrants at 386. For the second quarter of 2008, the Yukon experienced a net gain of 96 people.

2. Employment

- **2.1** Comparing September 2008 with September 2007 figures, the following changes can be seen in the Yukon:

- The labour force increased by 600, or 3.5%, to 17,800.
- The number of employed Yukoners increased by 700, or 4.3%, to 17,000.
- The number of unemployed Yukoners decreased by 100, or 10.0%, to 900.
- The unemployment rate decreased by 0.7 percentage points to 5.1%.

- **2.2** In the month of September 2008, the Yukon's rate of unemployment (5.1%), was 1.0 percentage point **below** the rate for Canada (6.1%). In September 2007, Yukon's unemployment rate (5.8%) was 0.1 percentage points **lower** than the rate for Canada (5.9%).

- **2.3** Comparing preliminary figures for June 2008 with figures for June 2007, the following changes in government employment in the Yukon have occurred:

- Total government employment increased by 271, or 4.6%.
- Federal government employment remained the same at 648.
- Territorial general government employment increased by 151, or 3.4%.
- Municipal employment increased by 114, or 22.1%.

■ 2.1 Yukon labour force statistics (Seasonally adjusted)*

	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2008				
September	17,800	17,000	900	5.1%
August	17,900	16,900	1,000	5.6%
July	17,900	17,000	900	5.0%
June	17,900	17,000	900	5.0%
May	17,900	17,200	700	3.9%
April	17,900	17,100	700	3.9%
March	17,900	17,200	800	4.5%
February	18,000	17,100	900	5.0%
January	17,800	16,900	1,000	5.6%
2007				
December	17,900	16,900	1,000	5.6%
November	17,800	16,800	1,000	5.6%
October	17,600	16,600	900	5.1%
September	17,200	16,300	1,000	5.8%

Source: Statistics Canada.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.2 Canadian unemployment rates (Seasonally adjusted)

	Yukon	Canada	Nfld. & Lbdr.	PEI	NS	NB	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	BC
	----- (%) -----											
2008												
September	5.1	6.1	13.3	11.4	7.6	8.0	7.3	6.4	4.6	4.1	3.8	4.6
August	5.6	6.1	13.8	10.4	8.0	8.4	7.7	6.3	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.3
July	5.0	6.1	13.3	10.6	6.7	8.8	7.4	6.4	3.8	4.4	3.6	4.4
June	5.0	6.2	13.1	10.1	7.6	9.7	7.2	6.7	4.1	4.0	3.3	4.5
May	3.9	6.1	12.5	9.6	8.2	8.9	7.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	3.6	4.5
April	3.9	6.1	13.2	11.2	7.8	8.3	7.6	6.3	3.8	4.3	3.3	4.3
March	4.5	6.0	12.6	10.4	7.9	8.5	7.3	6.4	4.3	4.1	3.4	4.3
February	5.0	5.8	13.1	10.0	7.7	8.1	7.0	6.1	4.2	4.1	3.5	4.1
January	5.6	5.8	12.2	10.6	7.4	8.2	6.8	6.3	3.8	3.9	3.2	4.1
2007												
December	5.6	6.0	12.5	10.7	7.8	7.8	7.0	6.5	4.2	4.0	3.2	4.2
November	5.6	5.9	13.2	11.4	7.9	7.2	7.0	6.4	4.2	4.0	3.6	4.2
October	5.1	5.8	13.6	8.8	7.6	7.7	7.0	6.1	4.1	4.3	3.4	4.4
September	5.8	5.9	13.5	10.6	7.9	8.3	6.9	6.2	4.2	3.9	3.6	4.4

Source: Statistics Canada.

■ 2.3 Government employment in the Yukon*

	Total	Federal General	Territorial General	Territorial Health & Social Services	Municipal
2008					
June (p)	6,152	648	4,534	340	630
May (p)	6,049	623	4,487	351	588
April (p)	5,863	607	4,343	343	570
March	5,826	594	4,342	334	556
February	5,879	585	4,288	343	663
January	5,889	586	4,302	357	644
2007					
December	5,759	590	4,292	350	527
November	5,759	587	4,342	357	473
October	5,779	606	4,361	341	471
September	5,840	635	4,354	338	513
August	5,370	649	3,763	351	607
July	5,614	653	4,047	335	579
June	5,881	648	4,383	334	516

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.4 Average weekly earnings, including overtime*

		Yukon Average	Goods producing	Const.	Service producing	Trade	Transp. & Ware- housing	Accomm. & Food Services	Public Admin.
(\$)									
2008									
July	(p)	876.64	1,184.90	1,060.79	830.59	596.74	920.00	611.01	994.57
June	(r)	897.81	1,200.69	1,071.85	856.30	607.34	910.07	592.03	1,023.48
May		884.67	1,165.25	1,021.54	847.36	619.53	920.76	505.93	1,014.12
April		905.17	1,196.86	1,043.30	869.13	595.61	901.47	504.87	1,042.63
March		900.31	1,183.09	998.50	867.05	599.78	901.16	500.01	1,039.17
February		897.40	1,185.21	991.73	862.47	578.91	900.42	522.66	1,018.48
January		894.51	1,199.61	1,042.66	856.88	565.29	899.22	504.90	1,035.37
2007									
December		902.23	1,224.23	1,086.11	851.69	568.66	855.92	515.88	1,030.16
November		905.85	1,218.14	1,073.31	855.01	588.04	872.71	510.51	1,017.83
October		908.05	1,227.19	1,076.55	852.28	594.38	916.31	511.03	1,033.65
September		890.93	1,196.53	1,083.97	838.72	572.43	941.73	520.92	1,008.65
August		874.18	1,182.38	1,075.31	819.83	570.12	916.30	484.40	1,018.52
July		886.83	1,183.58	1,077.58	836.31	582.44	940.72	494.76	1,045.05

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Does not include self-employed, please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.5 Employees by selected industries*

		Total	Goods producing	Const.	Service producing	Trade	Transp. & Ware- housing	Accomm. & Food Services	Public Admin.
(no.)									
2008									
July	(p)	19,369	2,518	1,137	16,851	2,384	1,186	2,191	6,119
June	(r)	19,606	2,363	1,074	17,242	2,461	1,191	2,093	5,989
May		18,453	2,166	989	16,287	2,355	1,134	1,868	5,704
April		16,968	1,866	868	15,102	2,196	1,120	1,308	5,469
March		16,921	1,781	726	15,140	2,176	1,170	1,277	5,385
February		16,774	1,816	753	14,958	2,132	1,173	1,193	5,460
January		16,697	1,833	765	14,864	2,198	1,126	1,216	5,365
2007									
December		17,191	2,332	860	14,859	2,307	1,074	1,235	5,312
November		17,432	2,441	931	14,991	2,306	1,066	1,231	5,381
October		18,258	2,716	1,025	15,542	2,366	1,101	1,658	5,377
September		18,804	2,744	1,222	16,060	2,328	1,091	1,999	5,665
August		18,915	2,836	1,276	16,079	2,392	1,095	2,203	5,831
July		19,150	2,786	1,250	16,364	2,376	1,085	2,262	5,725

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Does not include self-employed, please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.6 Employment insurance beneficiaries, by type of benefit, unadjusted

		Total Beneficiaries*	Regular Beneficiaries	Sickness	Maternity	Parental	Training
2008							
July	(p)	730	480	60	60	140	0
June		740	480	50	60	130	20
May	(r)	940	680	50	50	130	30
April		1,260	950	50	60	130	80
March		1,370	1,040	50	50	130	90
February		1,420	1,090	40	50	140	90
January		1,410	1,080	40	50	150	80
2007							
December		1,300	960	50	50	150	80
November		1,090	750	50	50	150	80
October		900	590	50	60	150	50
September		720	440	40	60	150	20
August		740	470	50	60	150	0
July		780	500	60	70	150	0

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- 2.4 Comparing preliminary figures for July 2008 with those of July 2007, the following changes in average weekly earnings can be seen:

- Average weekly wages for the Yukon decreased \$10.19, or 1.1%.
- Goods-producing industry wages increased \$1.32, or 0.1%.
- Construction industry wages decreased \$16.79, or 1.6%.
- Service-producing industry wages decreased \$5.72, or 0.7%.
- Trade industry wages increased \$14.30, or 2.5%.
- Transportation and warehousing wages decreased \$20.72, or 2.2%.
- Accommodation and food services wages increased \$116.25 or 23.5%.
- Public administration wages decreased \$50.48, or 4.8%.

- 2.5 The preliminary total number of employees in the Yukon in July 2008 (19,369) was 219, or 1.1% higher than the July 2007 figure of 19,150.

- 2.6 Looking at the different types of employment insurance benefits and comparing July 2008 with July 2007, the following changes are apparent:

- Total beneficiaries decreased 50, or 6.4%.
- Regular beneficiaries decreased 20, or 4.0%.
- Sickness beneficiaries remained the same at 60.
- Maternity beneficiaries decreased 10, or 14.3%.
- Parental beneficiaries decreased 10, or 6.7%.
- Training beneficiaries remained the same at 0.

3. Consumer Prices

- 3.1 The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices, or what is usually referred to as inflation. Table 3.1 shows that as of August 2008, the annual rate of inflation in Whitehorse was 4.4% (this is 0.9 percentage points higher than the national rate). A year ago, in August 2007, the inflation rate in Whitehorse was 2.6%.

The annual average inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was 2.5%.

- 3.2 According to the Consumer Price Index, overall food prices in Whitehorse in August 2008 increased 0.5% when compared with the previous month. Comparing August 2007 to August 2008, overall food prices increased 3.8%. During this same time period, for selected food items purchased from stores, fresh vegetables had the largest increase, at 11.7%.

- 3.3 The Community Spatial Price Index compares prices in Whitehorse to prices in other Yukon communities. Of all communities surveyed, April 2008, prices in Teslin were the closest to April 2008 prices in Whitehorse, with Teslin's prices being 4.4% higher than those in Whitehorse. The highest prices of the communities surveyed were found in Old Crow (69.9% higher than Whitehorse).

3.1 Consumer price index* (2002 = 100)

	Whitehorse		Canada	
	Index	Change from last year	Index	Change from last year
2008				
August	115.4	4.4%	115.6	3.5%
July	115.3	4.2%	115.8	3.4%
June	114.6	4.5%	115.4	3.1%
May	113.6	3.7%	114.6	2.2%
April	111.8	2.9%	113.5	1.7%
March	111.0	2.8%	112.6	1.4%
February	110.1	2.6%	112.2	1.8%
January	110.4	3.2%	111.8	2.2%
2007				
December	110.6	4.0%	112.0	2.4%
November	110.7	4.1%	111.9	2.5%
October	110.4	3.9%	111.6	2.4%
September	110.8	3.4%	111.9	2.5%
August	110.5	2.6%	111.7	1.7%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

3.2 Food price index, Whitehorse (2002 = 100)

	August 2008	July 2008	% change July '08 to August '08	August 2007	% change August '07 to August '08
ALL ITEMS	115.4	115.3	0.1%	110.5	4.4%
Food	113.8	113.2	0.5%	109.6	3.8%
Food purchased from stores	111.7	111.6	0.1%	106.3	5.1%
Meat	105.8	106.6	-0.8%	106.4	-0.6%
Dairy products	120.3	119.4	0.8%	116.6	3.2%
Bakery and cereal products (excluding infant food)	121.0	122.0	-0.8%	111.7	8.3%
Fresh fruit	102.3	107.3	-4.7%	95.8	6.8%
Fresh vegetables	101.4	104.6	-3.1%	90.8	11.7%
Food purchased from restaurants	118.4	116.9	1.3%	117.4	0.9%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

3.3 Community spatial price index, April 2008 (Whitehorse = 100)

	Carmacks	Dawson City	Faro	Haines Junction	Mayo	Teslin	Watson Lake	Old Crow
Total Survey Items	110.4	122.0	114.0	119.8	114.0	104.4	112.3	169.9
Meat	107.6	104.7	..	101.9	107.0	95.2	99.5	..
Dairy/Eggs	125.2	120.7	130.0	131.0	132.2	111.3	131.9	..
Fruit/Veg.	115.9	138.4	122.9	143.4	112.1	106.3	115.9	179.9
Bread/Cereal	125.8	116.4	127.3	142.6	124.4	104.7	137.6	160.2
Other Foods	111.9	124.9	116.5	131.8	120.7	107.1	103.9	173.7
Household Operations	95.8	108.6	105.8	104.1	109.5	100.7	107.8	189.1
Health & Personal Care	122.0	175.3	..	..	..	..	122.4	..
Gasoline	106.0	121.1	..	107.5	118.1	102.9	110.6	..
Cigarettes	110.9	110.2	100.4	110.0	..	99.3	..	172.9

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

".." insufficient data for reliable estimates.

■ 4.1 Median rent, all units*

4. Rental Units

	Whitehorse Total	Down- town	Granger	Hillcrest	Porter Creek (\$)	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
2008									
June	700	680	700	700*	650	750	600	675	650
March	700	680	700	700*	650	725	600	675	650
2007									
December	700	680	700	700*	650	725	600	675	625
September	700	680	675	700*	650	725	600	675	625
June	680	675	675	750	650	725	560	675	625

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 4.2 Vacancy rate, all units*

	Whitehorse Total	Down- town	Granger	Hillcrest	Porter Creek (%)	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
2008									
June	1.9	2.3	0.0	0.0*	0.0	1.7	3.9	0.0	0.0
March	4.1	3.5	0.0	4.2*	4.3	5.6	0.0	2.9	0.0
2007									
December	2.8	2.9	0.0	5.6*	4.3	2.6	0.0	11.4	0.0
September	4.0	4.0	0.0	4.2*	8.7	2.7	11.8	11.4	0.0
June	3.2	3.7	0.0	4.6	4.3	1.2	0.0	8.6	0.0

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 5.1 Value of real estate transactions*

	Yukon	Whitehorse (\$000)	Other
2008			
Q2	48,643.0	38,686.7	9,956.3
Q1	26,185.6	21,888.8	4,296.8
2007			
Q4	62,410.0	52,731.6	9,678.4
Q3	69,315.7	60,521.3	8,794.4
Q2	35,984.2	31,801.5	4,182.7

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 5.2 Number & value of real estate transactions in Whitehorse

	Total*	Single Houses	Family Lots*	Mobile Homes	Condos	Duplexes	Multiple- Residential	Commercial Property	Industrial Property
Value of Real Estate Transactions									
					(\$000)				
2008									
Q2	38,686.7	28,468.2	888.6	2,540.9	1,727.5	2,768.0	x	x	x
Q1	21,888.8	14,424.3	1,069.0	1,493.0	2,680.3	940.0	x	x	777.3
2007									
Q4	52,731.6	25,811.7	2,074.3	2,119.5	6,032.4	2,050.3	0	12,833.1	1,810.2
Q3	60,521.3	35,981.6	2,487.2	2,429.4	2,159.8	2,587.5	1,350.0	12,258.0	1,267.8
Q2	31,801.5	23,932.7	625.1	2,091.2	2,118.7	1,391.5	0	0	1,642.2
Number of Real Estate Transactions					(no.)				
2008									
Q2	128	85	6	13	7	12	x	x	x
Q1	90	48	11	7	13	4	x	x	5
2007									
Q4	178	88	22	12	28	10	0	15	3
Q3	207	121	27	15	11	13	4	11	5
Q2	135	89	10	13	11	7	0	0	5

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

"x" suppressed for confidentiality constraints.

■ 4.1 Comparing June 2008 to June 2007, median rents in Whitehorse have changed in the following ways:

- The overall median rent in Whitehorse increased \$20, or 2.9%.
- Downtown, the median rent increased \$5, or 0.7%.
- In Granger, the median rent increased \$25, or 3.7%.
- In Hillcrest*, the median rent decreased \$50, or 6.7%.
- In Porter Creek, the median rent remained the same at \$650.
- In Riverdale, the median rent increased \$25, or 3.4%.
- In Takhini, the median rent increased \$40, or 7.1%.

■ 4.2 The overall Whitehorse vacancy rate in June 2008 decreased 1.3 percentage points from June 2007 and decreased 2.2 percentage points from March 2008.

5. Real Estate

■ 5.1 Comparing second quarter 2008 figures with second quarter 2007 figures, real estate transactions have:

- increased \$12.7 million, or 35.2%, in the Yukon;
- increased \$6.9 million, or 21.7%, in Whitehorse;
- increased \$5.8 million, or 138.0%, in the areas outside of Whitehorse.

■ 5.2 The average selling price for a single house in Whitehorse increased by \$66,000, or 24.5%, from the second quarter of 2007 (\$268,900) to the second quarter of 2008 (\$334,900).

6. Construction

- **6.1** For the Yukon, the total value of building permits issued in August 2008 (\$6,645,000) was \$2,978,000 or 31.0%, lower than the August 2007 figure of \$9,623,000.

Note: In addition to new dwelling units, residential permits issued include renovations, garages and additions. "Total permits" does not include plumbing or stove permits issued.

■ 6.1 Yukon building permits, number and value*

	Total		Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)
2008										
August	171	6,645	152	4,065	-	-	11	2,444	8	136
July	220	13,685	171	7,726	7	671	8	1,212	34	4,076
June	188	8,366	168	7,015	2	338	12	740	6	275
May	185	8,362	153	4,741	8	1,089	7	610	17	1,922
April	85	3,515	75	2,199	-	-	5	259	5	1,057
March	63	1,847	46	816	1	100	5	331	11	600
February	51	1,431	43	589	-	-	4	532	4	310
January	49	901	38	825	1	7	1	5	9	64
2007										
December	100	4,648	84	2,942	1	50	8	181	7	1,475
November	108	2,583	92	2,129	5	95	4	121	7	238
October	165	11,244	127	5,838	7	1,749	10	528	21	3,128
September	226	14,465	185	7,299	8	745	10	1,699	23	4,722
August	169	9,623	143	6,603	10	884	5	1,775	11	361

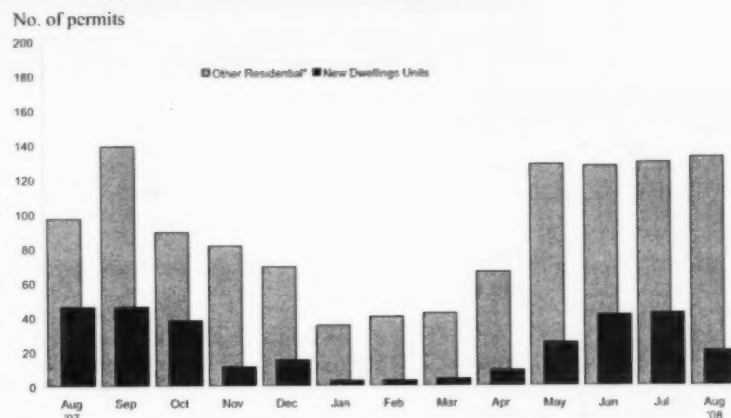
Source: Government of Yukon, Department of Community Services.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **6.2** Comparing total residential permits issued in August 2008 with August 2007, the following changes have occurred in the Yukon:

- The number of permits issued for new dwelling units has decreased from 46 to 20.
- Other residential permits issued (*renovations, garages and additions) increased from 97 to 132.

■ 6.2 Yukon residential building permits



Source: Government of Yukon, Department of Community Services.

- **6.3** For Whitehorse, the total value of building permits issued in August 2008 (\$2,642,000) was \$3,357,000 or 56.0% below the August 2007 figure of \$5,999,000.

Note: Permits were issued for 5 new single family residences, 4 new semi-detached residences, 1 existing suite upgrade and 2 mobile home replacements in parks.

"Total permits" does not include plumbing or wood stove permits issued.

■ 6.3 Whitehorse building permits, number and value*

	Total		Residential		Multi-Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)
2008												
August	112	2,642	104	2,077	-	-	-	-	5	534	3	32
July	142	8,558	116	3,226	4	1,480	4	618	2	100	16	3,134
June	126	4,786	119	3,496	3	315	2	338	1	417	1	221
May	106	6,024	85	2,915	1	0	7	914	3	610	10	1,584
April	52	2,667	47	1,579	1	31	-	-	-	-	4	1,057
March	47	1,407	30	535	2	5	1	100	4	217	10	550
February	43	1,158	35	464	1	3	-	-	3	382	4	310
January	22	553	13	488	-	-	1	7	-	-	8	59
2007												
December	59	2,222	51	630	-	-	1	50	1	82	6	1,460
November	76	1,686	65	1,373	-	-	5	95	-	-	6	218
October	123	9,319	89	4,413	3	9	7	1,749	3	20	21	3,128
September	146	9,842	116	4,857	2	6	8	745	1	3	19	4,231
August	120	5,999	103	3,149	2	1,847	6	614	1	70	8	319

Source: City of Whitehorse.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

7. Resources

7.1 London metal commodity prices*

	Gold		Silver		Lead		Zinc		Copper	
	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$
	(\$/troy oz)				(\$/kg)					
2008										
September	950.73	897.00	13.74	12.96	1.9089	1.8010	1.7488	1.6500	6.8035	6.4190
August	888.86	836.50	14.62	13.76	2.0816	1.9590	1.8282	1.7205	7.9801	7.5100
July	935.44	912.00	17.93	17.48	2.2873	2.2300	1.9555	1.9065	8.4728	8.2600
June	950.10	932.75	17.98	17.65	1.7678	1.7355	1.9099	1.8750	8.9387	8.7755
May	874.40	879.50	16.75	16.85	1.9287	1.9400	1.9680	1.9795	8.0580	8.1050
April	875.99	867.75	16.63	16.47	2.7060	2.6805	2.2164	2.1955	8.7372	8.6550
March	963.40	937.25	18.49	17.99	2.8709	2.7930	2.3673	2.3030	8.7577	8.5200
February	949.43	969.00	19.22	19.62	3.3254	3.3940	2.6660	2.7210	8.3680	8.5405
January	925.78	923.75	16.78	16.74	2.7475	2.7415	2.3973	2.3920	7.1863	7.1705
2007										
December	826.55	836.50	14.58	14.76	2.5009	2.5310	2.2578	2.2850	6.5966	6.6760
November	795.39	794.75	14.24	14.23	3.0524	3.0500	2.5325	2.5305	6.9616	6.9560
October	746.59	783.00	13.65	14.32	3.5194	3.6910	2.6655	2.7955	7.4001	7.7610
September	735.02	737.75	13.60	13.65	3.4382	3.4510	3.0477	3.0590	8.1348	8.1650

Source: London Bullion Market Association and London Metal Exchange.
Please see table footnotes on page 12.

7.1 From September 2007 to September 2008, the metal commodity prices (in Canadian funds) have changed as follows:

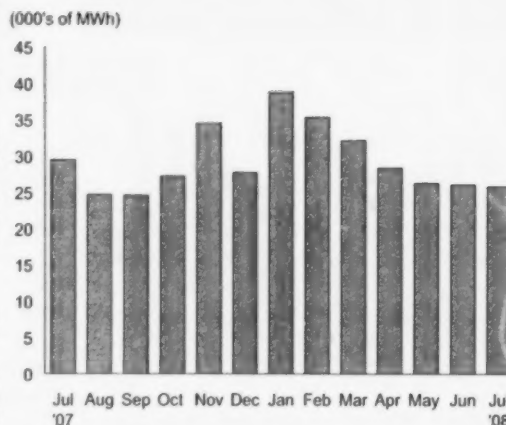
- Gold increased \$215.71 per troy ounce, or 29.3%.
- Silver increased \$0.14 per troy ounce, or 1.0%.
- Lead decreased \$1.53 per kilogram, or 44.5%.
- Zinc decreased \$1.30 per kilogram, or 42.6%.
- Copper decreased \$1.33 per kilogram, or 16.4%.

7.2 Electricity generated, Yukon

	Total	Hydro	Internal Combustion
	(MWh)		
2008			
July	25,820	24,183	1,637
June	26,069	24,432	1,637
May	26,298	24,411	1,887
April	28,359	26,489	1,870
March	32,178	30,163	2,015
February	35,331	32,992	2,339
January	38,799	36,825	1,974
2007			
December	27,761	25,101	2,660
November	34,506	32,423	2,083
October	27,221	25,392	1,829
September	24,591	22,801	1,790
August	24,657	22,860	1,797
July	29,446	27,568	1,878

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

7.3 Electricity generated, Yukon



7.2 & 7.3 Comparing July 2008 with July 2007, electricity generated in the Yukon has decreased from 29,446 MWh to 25,820 MWh. This represents a decrease of 3,626 MWh, or 12.3%.

7.4 Petroleum product domestic sales, Yukon

	Total*	Aviation Gasoline*	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Stove Oil Kerosene	Diesel Fuel Oil	Light Fuel Oil	Lube Oils & Greases
	(cubic metres)							
2008								
July	9,310	130	2,002	1,127	206	5,644	160	41
June	8,160	172	1,842	1,440	233	4,266	186	21
May	(r) 7,531	114	1,441	963	539	4,170	244	60
April	(r) 6,605	37	1,097	1,445	1,326	2,141	499	60
March	(r) 10,151	27	1,389	1,239	1,981	4,813	671	30
February	11,645	15	1,294	1,222	3,292	4,536	1,244	40
January	9,956	13	1,353	856	3,025	3,546	1,137	26
2007								
December	8,219	7	1,200	1,027	2,376	2,577	987	44
November	7,301	47	1,197	845	1,634	2,950	604	23
October	11,390	77	1,941	1,165	2,246	5,264	637	58
September	10,831	153	2,458	1,452	1,519	4,790	384	51
August	12,423	208	2,652	1,732	392	6,927	469	40
July	11,916	256	3,241	820	181	6,695	674	48

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

7.4 Comparing figures for petroleum sales (m³) in July 2008 with sales figures for July 2007, the following changes have occurred:

- Total petroleum product sales decreased 21.9%.
- Aviation gasoline sales have decreased 49.2%.
- Motor gasoline sales decreased 38.2%.
- Aviation turbo fuel sales increased 37.4%.
- Diesel fuel oil sales decreased 15.7%.
- Light fuel oil sales decreased 76.3%.

8. Trade

- **8.1** Comparing preliminary retail trade value for July 2008 to July 2007, sales have increased by \$5,913,000, or 12.5%. Comparing Jan-July 2008 totals with Jan-July 2007, retail sales have increased by \$25,676,000, or 9.2%.

- **8.2** Comparing preliminary wholesale trade value for July 2008 to July 2007, sales have increased by \$3,827,000 or 27.2%. Comparing Jan-July 2008 totals with Jan-July 2007, wholesale sales have increased by \$16,665,000, or 23.0%.

- **8.4** Comparing figures for September 2008 with September 2007, interest rates have changed as follows:

- The bank rate has decreased 1.50 percentage points to 3.25%.
- The prime business rate has decreased 1.50 percentage points to 4.75%.
- The conventional mortgage rate (5-year) has decreased 0.34 percentage points to 6.85%.

- **8.5&8.6** Total preliminary food services and drinking places receipts for June 2008 were \$4,128,000. This was down \$580,000, or 12.3%, compared to the June 2007 figure of \$4,708,000.

On an annual basis, in 2007 receipts totalled \$45,446,000. This was up \$819,000, or 1.8%, compared with the 2006 annual figure of \$44,627,000.

■ 8.1 Retail sales, Yukon

		Total Sales (\$000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2008			
July	(p)	53,080	12.5
June	(r)	50,560	2.3
May		49,846	9.2
April		42,343	11.7
March		38,910	9.0
February		35,022	6.2
January		35,101	15.6
2007			
December		47,083	9.9
November		40,134	19.4
October		42,391	14.1
September		42,961	9.2
August		48,513	9.7
July		47,167	5.1

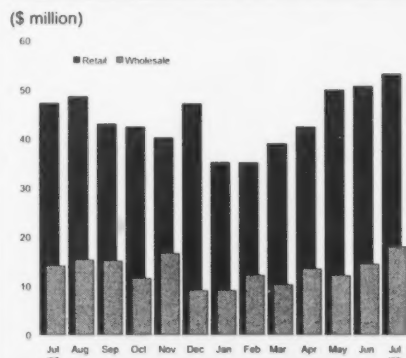
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 8.2 Wholesale sales, Yukon

		Total Sales (\$000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2008			
July	(p)	17,903	27.2
June	(r)	14,421	17.1
May		12,094	-2.1
April		13,453	80.1
March		10,216	-3.2
February		12,146	64.7
January		9,027	6.9
2007			
December		9,020	-0.3
November		16,594	143.5
October		11,522	16.1
September		15,074	21.5
August		15,322	16.1
July		14,076	3.0

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 8.3 Retail & wholesale, Yukon



■ 8.5 Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon

		Total Receipts (\$000)	% Change From Same Month Last Year
2008			
June	(p)	4,128	-12.3%
May	(r)	3,912	-8.5%
April	(r)	3,236	-11.7%
March	(r)	3,011	-30.6%
February	(r)	2,743	-3.8%
January		2,660	1.7%
2007			
December		3,174	-0.3%
November		3,007	3.4%
October		3,204	-8.7%
September		3,856	5.0%
August		4,649	-5.9%
July		5,100	1.7%
June		4,708	2.6%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

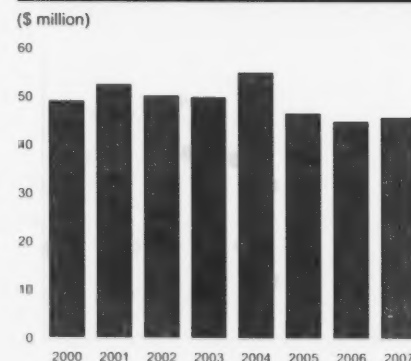
8.4 Selected interest rates

	Bank Rate*	Prime Business	5-year Mortgage
	(%)		
2008			
September	3.25	4.75	6.85
August	3.25	4.75	6.85
July	3.25	4.75	7.15
June	3.25	4.75	7.15
May	3.25	4.75	6.65
April	3.25	4.75	6.99
March	3.75	5.25	7.19
February	4.25	5.75	7.29
January	4.25	5.75	7.39
2007			
December	4.50	6.00	7.54
November	4.75	6.25	7.39
October	4.75	6.25	7.44
September	4.75	6.25	7.19

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 8.6 Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon



9. Transportation

■ 9.1 Travellers entering Yukon by land through Canada Customs*

	Total	Yukon Residents	Other Canadians	US Residents	Other Foreign Travellers
2008					
August	87,830	7,591	6,352	66,380	7,507
July	92,577	6,673	8,175	70,800	6,929
June	79,014	5,188	5,940	60,457	7,429
May	43,815	5,564	1,795	32,511	3,945
April	7,446	2,492	298	4,554	102
March	6,957	2,141	269	4,461	86
February	3,871	1,032	120	2,673	46
January	3,622	1,018	102	2,475	27
2007	415,188	32,630	32,140	320,819	29,599
December	4,378	1,037	184	3,141	16
November	4,790	1,141	185	3,446	18
October	9,270	2,119	552	6,444	155
September	51,308	3,309	3,659	39,765	4,575
August	95,635	4,959	7,896	75,288	7,492

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 9.2 Aircraft movements, Yukon communities

	Beaver Creek	Burwash Landing	Dawson City	Faro	Mayo	Old Crow	Teslin	Watson Lake	Whitehorse
	(no. of movements)								
2008									
May	44	70	475	204	127	70	31	364	3,662
April	8	5	208	309	45	54	14	217	2,830
March	15	14	202	137	38	149	14	149	2,192
February	9	4	133	16	26	45	2	111	1,515
January	12	2	77	20	8	36	23	98	1,350
2007									
December	24	4	97	8	11	121	10	92	1,157
November	7	6	189	13	146	50	2	98	1,929
October	34	18	203	84	687	94	..	284	1,636
September	15	54	497	302	1,033	132	..	614	2,153
August	43	79	1,173	161	1,032	96	..	943	3,239
July	50	131	1,333	101	1,258	169	..	719	3,333
June	224	89	1,355	121	1,043	147	16	705	3,281
May	55	118	404	31	559	92	..	470	3,625
	(no. of days reporting)								
2008									
May	15	22	31	26	21	25	13	31	31
April	3	4	28	27	14	23	6	30	30
March	5	3	27	17	13	24	5	30	31
February	3	2	25	6	10	17	1	21	29
January	6	1	19	7	3	18	8	22	31
2007									
December	5	3	22	4	5	24	4	29	31
November	2	3	28	6	18	21	1	23	30
October	10	5	28	16	30	25	..	29	31
September	8	16	30	30	30	27	..	30	30
August	11	17	31	26	31	29	..	31	31
July	14	19	31	26	31	31	..	31	31
June	14	16	30	22	30	29	5	30	30
May	13	23	31	12	31	24	..	31	31

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM and Aviation Statistics Centre.

- 9.1 The number of visitors entering the Yukon by land from January to August 2008 was 325,132 compared to 345,442 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a decrease of 20,310 travellers, or 5.9%.

Comparing August 2008 numbers with August 2007, the following changes occurred:

- The total number of travellers decreased by 7,805, or 8.2%.
- Yukon resident travellers increased by 2,632, or 53.1%.
- Other Canadian travellers decreased by 1,544, or 19.6%.
- U.S. travellers decreased by 8,908 or 11.8%.
- Other foreign travellers increased by 15, or 0.2%.

- 9.2 Comparing May 2008 with May 2007, the number of aircraft movements in Whitehorse increased by 37 flights, or 1.0%.

On an annual basis for Whitehorse, in 2007 there were 27,692 flights compared to 27,525 in 2006. This represents an increase of 167 flights, or 0.6%, in 2007.

In the other Yukon communities, comparisons between prior months or years should be used with caution because of inconsistency in the number of days reporting.

Footnotes

1. Population

1.2 'Other' includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River.

1.4 Migration estimates are based on both international and interprovincial movement into and out of the Yukon, as well as returning emigrants, temporary emigrants and non-permanent residents.

2. Employment

2.1 Yukon figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; because of this, figures may not sum to totals. All Yukon figures from the Labour Force Survey are three-month moving averages based on 92% coverage.

2.3 Territorial general government employment includes employees of all Yukon Government departments, as well as employees of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health & Safety Board, etc.

2.3 Territorial Health & Social Services includes employees at Whitehorse General Hospital, Alexander MacDonald Lodge, Children's Receiving Home and Assessment, Detoxification Centre, group homes, Norman D. Macaulay Lodge, Northern Network of Services, Copper Ridge Place and the Thomson Centre. Yukon Liquor Corp. and Yukon Development Corp./Yukon Energy Corp. are considered to be business enterprises and therefore, employment figures are not included.

2.4 & 2.5 Unclassified employees are excluded, as well as those enterprises primarily involved in agriculture, fishing and trapping, private household services, religious organizations, and military personnel of defense services. Additional employee and earnings data for other NAICS (North American Industrial Classification System) categories are available by contacting the Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

2.6 The number of beneficiaries receiving total income benefits includes other types of benefits than those displayed, but excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits.

3. Consumer Prices

3.1 The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures price changes over time but should not be used to compare costs between provinces and cities. As of the May 2007 CPI release, the weights of various items in the basket of goods and services used to calculate the index have been updated from 2001 to 2005. In addition, the CPI base year (the period for which the value 100 is assigned to the index) has changed from 1992 to 2002. Therefore, data from this and future publications should not be compared with previously released data.

4. Rental Units

4.1 & 4.2 The Yukon Rental Survey covers all buildings with four or more units. Rentals with less than four units (such as houses, suites and duplexes) are excluded from the survey.

4.1 & 4.2 Due to non-response of a landlord in Hillcrest for September and December 2007 and March 2008, the figures for Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments are not a complete representation of all Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments.

5. Real Estate

5.1 & 5.2 Rounded data may not sum to totals.

5.2 The 'Family Lots' category does not include the majority of lots purchased by contractors. For further explanation, contact the Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

6. Construction

6.1 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Permits issued in the communities are totalled on a calendar month.

6.3 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Special permits or permits for demolitions may have dollar values of zero. Whitehorse permits are reported for a thirty-day period from the sixteenth of one month to the fifteenth of the following month for which the totals are reported.

7. Resources

7.1 Canadian prices are based on the conversion of US prices using the 'noon' exchange rate at month-end by Bank of Canada. Prices of gold and silver are a.m. fix prices at month-end. Prices of lead, zinc and copper are London Metal Exchange "cash seller" prices at month-end.

7.4 'Total' includes other types of refined petroleum product sales. Domestic sales are by reporting companies, are exclusive of exports and sales to other reporting companies, and are adjusted for exports and imports by non-reporting companies.

7.4 'Aviation gasoline' includes all gasoline-type fuels for piston-type aircraft engines.

8. Trade

8.4 Bank rate figures are from the last Wednesday of the month.

9. Transportation

9.1 Not included in this table are travellers entering the Yukon from another province or territory, persons entering the Yukon by air, and persons entering the Yukon by water. Conversely, totals include Fraser BC border crossing even though there is the possibility that these persons may never physically enter the Yukon.

Symbols & Abbreviations

-	nil or zero	I	January 1 to March 31
--	too small to be expressed	II	April 1 to June 30
(p)	preliminary figures	III	July 1 to September 30
(r)	revised figures	IV	October 1 to December 31
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